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TAGS: EAGR, GW

SUBJECT: GATT XXIV:6: RENEGOTIATIONS WITH THE EC

1. SUMMARY. IN MEETING WITH MR. SPECKS, MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, AMBASSADOR MALMGREN STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE THE US ATTACHED TO AN EARLY CONCLUSION OF ARTICLE 24:6 NEGOTIATIONS. MR. SPECKS POINTED OUT THE DIFFICULTIES INVOLVED IN FURTHER CONCESSIONS BY THE COMMUNITY, BUT INDICATED THAT THE US REQUEST WOULD BE GIVEN SERIOUS CONSIDERATION BY THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT. ENDSUMMARY.

2. ON JANUARY 15 AMBASSADOR HARALD MALMGREN, ACCOMPANIED BY AGATTACHE, ECON OFFICERS AND BY STR REPRESENTATIVE, SET FORTH HIGH LEVEL VIEWS AND USG POSITION ON 24:6 TO DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY SPECKS, MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE. MALMGREN POINTED TO THE NECESSITY FOR RAPID EC ACTION. HE STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE THAT WE ATTACH TO EARLY CONCLUSION OF 24:6 NEGOTIATIONS. OUR SCHEDULE REQUIRES THAT AGREEMENT OR DISAGREEMENT MUST BE REACHED WITH THE COMMUNITY BY EARLY SPRING. THE EARLY SPRING DECISION IS NEEDED BY THE US IN ORDER THAT WE CAN START PLANNING FOR THE ACTIONS WHICH WILL BE REQUIRED BY JUNE IN EVENT OF UNSUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF NEGOTIATIONS.

3. SPECKS QUESTIONED THE LEGAL STRENGTH OF THE US ARGUMENT AND STATED THAT THE COMMUNITY'S VIEW IS THAT THE REDUCTION IN DUTIES BY THE NEW MEMBERS WAS AN ADEQUATE OFFSET TO ANY FURTHER CONCESSIONS. HE STRESSED THE INTERNAL EC DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED IN ARRIVING AT THE SUPPLEMENTAL OFFER, AND DISCUSSED THE PROBLEMS THE COMMUNITY HAS IN ARRIVING AT ANY DECISION WHEN EACH MEMBER HAS VETO POWER. MALMGREN POINTED OUT THAT THE US DISAGREES WITH THE EC QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE EVALUATION OF ENLARGEMENT AS WELL AS THE APPROPRIATE GATT PROCEDURES. SPECKS ALSO REITERATED THE EC POSITION ON THE GRAINS STANDSTILL AND ARGUED THAT THE US REALLY HAD NO RIGHTS THAT HAD NOT ALREADY BEEN HONORED. MALMGREN SAID THAT THE US OBVIOUSLY DISAGREED WITH THIS VIEW.

4. SPECKS THANKED AMBASSADOR MALMGREN FOR HIS PERSONAL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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VISIT TO EXPLAIN THE AIDE MEMOIRE. HE INDICATED HIS UNDERSTANDING OF THE IMPORTANCE THAT THE US ATTACHES TO AN EARLY AND SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF THE ARTICLE 24:6 NEGOTIATIONS, AND PROMISED THAT FULL CONSIDERATION WOULD BE GIVEN BY HIS GOVERNMENT TO THE US REQUEST.

5. THERE WAS A BRIEF DISCUSSION OF THE UPCOMING INTERNATIONAL FOOD CONFERENCE. SPECKS AND MALMGREN AGREED THAT CLOSE COORDINATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES WAS REQUIRED TO INSURE THE SUCCESS OF THE CONFERENCE. THIS

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